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CHANGCHUN, MAY 4-12

1. SUMMARY: USLO OFFICER TRAVELED TO DALIEN, SHENYAN,
HARBIN AND CHANGCHUN MAY 4-13 AND VISITED FIVE COLLEGES
TWO FACTORIES, AND A STATE FARM. OFFICIALS AT ONE FACTORY,
A STATE FARM, AND TWO UNIVERSITIES SAID THAT THEIR REVOLUTIONARY
COMMITTEES HAVE ALREADY BEEN ABOLISHED AND OFFICIALS IN THE OTHER
UNITS STATED THAT REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEES WOULD BE
ABOLISHED IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. POSTERS WERE UP IN
DALIEN AND SHENYANG AIRING LOCAL GRIEVANCES ABOUT HEALTH
AND CORRUPTION AND A LARGE SCALE POSTER CAMPAIGN IS
UNDERWAY IN CHANGCHUN AGAINST SEVEN LOCAL OFFICIALS
ASSOCIATED WITH THE GANG OF FOUR. MOST BRIEFERS
SPOKE OF THE "CONTINUING INFLUENCE" OF THE GANG OF FOUR
IN LOCAL UNITS. END SUMMARY.

2. DALIEN, MAY 4-6. USLO OFFICER OBSERVED VERY
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LITTLE POSTER ACTIVITY EXCEPT FOR A LARGE BANNER
POSTED OUTSIDE THE LOCAL FRIENDSHIP STORE FOR
FOREIGNERS DEMANDING THAT THE PARTY COMMITTEE EXPLAIN
THE "580,000 YUAN CRIME." THE POSTER WAS SIGNED
BY THE "REVOLUTIONARIES" OF THE LIGHT INDUSTRY EXPORT
CORPORATION (PRESUMABLY DALIEN BRANCH) AND HAD BEEN
PUT UP IN THE LAST FEW DAYS. OFFICIALS AT DALIEN

HARBOR SAID THEIR REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE WOULD BE ABOLISHED "VERY SOON" IN RESPONSE TO CHAIRMAN HUA'S CALL AT THE FIFTH NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS. IT WILL BE REPLACED BY A MANAGER. OFFICIALS AT THE DALIEN LOCOMOTIVE FACTORY SAID A FACTORY MANAGER WILL FORMALLY REPLACE THE REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE IN JUNE. A LARGE NUMBER OF POSTERS WERE SEEN AT THE FACTORY ATTACKING LI TSUN-LU (2621/1350/4389), THIRD SECRETARY OF THE FACTORY FOR BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THE GANG OF FOUR. FACTORY OFFICIALS SAID THAT LI WAS UNDER ATTACK BECAUSE HE REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGE HIS MISTAKES. USLO OFFICER ALSO VISITED THE DALIEN ENGINEERING INSTITUTE AND OFFICIALS THERE SAID THE REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE QUESTION WAS STILL UNDER DISCUSSION.

3. SHENYANG, MAY 6-8. SEVERAL POSTER WRITERS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE ONGOING CITY-WIDE HEALTH CAMPAIGN TO AIR THEIR GRIEVANCES. ONE POSTER WRITTEN BY A BEREAVED MOTHER AND DATED APRIL 29 WAS SEEN ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE SHENYANG MUNICIPAL HEALTH BUREAU. THE UNNAMED MOTHER CALLED ON THE AUTHORITIES TO INVESTIGATE THE DEATH OF HER DAUGHTER IN THE NO. 4 SHENYANG CITY HOSPITAL. SHE WROTE THAT HER DAUGHTER HAD DIED AT 5:00 AM, DECEMBER 6, 1977 WHILE GIVING BIRTH. SHE ALLEGEDLY DIED BECAUSE OF POOR CONDITIONS
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AND MISHANDLING OF THE DELIVERY. THE MOTHER ACCUSED THE HOSPITAL LEADERSHIP OF COVERING UP THE CASE AND DEMANDED THAT THE PARTY COMMITTEE SEND AN INVESTIGATIVE TEAM TO THE HOSPITAL. SEVERAL OTHER POSTERS ALSO AIRED GENERALIZED ATTACKS AGAINST OTHER CITY HOSPITALS.

4. USLO OFFICER LEARNED THAT THE SHENYANG CABLE AND WIRE FACTORY HAS ALREADY INFORMALLY ABOLISHED ITS REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE, LIAONING UNIVERSITY WILL ABOLISH ITS RC "SOON" AND THE TIEH-HSI WORKERS' PEOPLE'S COMMUNE (SIMILAR TO A STREET COMMITTEE) ALSO PLANS TO ABOLISH ITS RC.

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5. HARBIN, MAY 8-11. NO UNUSUAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS
IN THE WAKE OF THE MAY 9 SINO-SOVIET BORDER
INCIDENT WERE OBSERVED. USLO OFFICER VISITED THE
NORTHEAST CHINA FORESTRY INSTITUTE, THE HEILUNGKIANG
EXPERIMENTAL FARM AND HEILUNKIANG UNIVERSITY.
OFFICIALS AT THE FORESTRY INSTITUTE INDICATED THAT
THEIR REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE HAD CEASED FOR FUNCTION
IN 1973 AND A DIRECTOR HAD BEEN APPOINTED IN 1977,
THE EXPERIMENTAL FARM ABOLISHED ITS RC IN JANUARY 1978 BUT
HEILUNKIANG UNIVERSITY'S RC IS STILL FUNCTIONING.

6. CHANGCHUN MAY 11-12. THE CENTER OF THE CITY WAS
VIRTUALLY COVERED WITH WALL POSTERS ATTACKING LOCAL
OFFICIALS FOR GANG OF FOUR RELATED CRIMES:
--LIU CHUNG-YI (0435/1813/5030), DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
KIRIN PROVINCIAL TRANSPORTATION BUREAU WAS ATTACKED
IN SEVERAL POSTERS FOR UNSPECIFIED "CRIMES" AND A
MAY 11 POSTER HAILED THE DECISION TO DISMISS LIU
FROM ALL HIS POSTS;
--AN UNNAMED PARTY SECRETARY OF THE CHANGCHUNG POST
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OFFICE PLUS HIS "BACKSTAGE BOSS" LI MING-CH'I (2621/
2494/1477) WERE CRITICIZED FOR UNSPECIFIED APRIL 1978
"CRIMES" AND POSTERS DEMANDED THEIR DISMISSAL;
--AN 89 PANEL WALLPOSTER SIGNED BY THE REVOLUTIONARY
MASSES OF THE CHAO YANG DISTRICT, THE NAN GUAN DISTRICT, AND
KUAN CH'ENG DISTRICT TAX OFFICES DETAILED THE MISDEEDS
OF CH'EN CHI-LIANG (7115/4480/5328), A LOCAL TAX
OFFICIAL WHO EMBEZZLED FUNDS FOR CHIANG CHING AND
OPPOSED CHAIRMAN HUA AND VICE CHAIRMAN TENG. A

BYSTANDER TOLD USLO OFFICER THAT CH'EN HAD RECEIVED A
"HELICOPTER PROMOTION" DURING THE GANG OF FOUR ERA.
--TWO POSTERS CALLED FOR THE DISMISSAL OF WANG PIN
(3769/2430) AND LI HSIANG-CHIN (2621/0686/1807);
--POSTERS ALSO WELCOMED THE DECISION TO DISMISS
CHEN HSI-CHIA (715/1585/1367) FROM HIS POSITION AS
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE KIRIN PETROCHEMICAL BUREAU.

7. WHILE OFFICIALS IN ALL FOUR CITIES SPOKE OF THE
"INGERING INFLUENCE" OF THE GANG OF FOUR, UNUSUAL
SECURITY MEASURES WERE NOT APPARENT AND OFFICIALS
AND LOCAL RESIDENTS APPEARED QUITE RELAXED. FEW
PEOPLE TOOK NOTICE OF THE POSTERS IN CHANGCHUN BUT
THE LOCAL CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE GUIDE REMARKED THAT
THE POSTER ACTIVITY WOULD CONTINUE BECAUSE MANY LOCAL
OFFICIALS HAD BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH FORMER KIRIN FIRST
SECRETARY WANG HUAI-HSIANG WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS A
"VERY BAD GANG OF FOUR FOLLOWER."

8. OFFICIALS AT KIRIN UNIVERSITY SAID THAT THE UNIVERSITY'S
REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE HAD BEEN ABOLISHED IN MARCH.

9. DETAILED REPORTS ON FACTORY AND UNIVERSITY VISITS WILL BE
SENT BY AIRGRAM.
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